

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT Address to: Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450	Attorney Docket Confirmation No.	EXPL-004 9591
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	Examiner Name	Mendoza, Michael G.
	Title	Compressive Device for Percutaneous Treatment of Obesity

Sir:

This is in response to the Restriction Requirement dated April 12, 2011 for which a one-month period for response was given making this response due on or before May 12, 2011.

THE RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In the Official Action dated April 12, 2011, the Examiner required an election of species from the following species that the Examiner identified:

Group 1: Claims 1, 6-10, 12-16 and 135, drawn to a device for placement within a mammal;

Group 2: Claims 31, 33, 35, 37-39, 41-42, 44-45, 50, 52-53 and 55, drawn to a device for placement within a mammal;

Group 3: Claims 88-95, drawn to a method of treating obesity;

Group 4: Claims 62, 64-72, 74-76, 78-79, 84, 86 and 104-106, drawn to a method of treating obesity;

Group 5: Claims 107-112, drawn to a method of treating obesity;

Group 6: Claims 113-114, drawn to a method of treating a patient;

Group 7: Claims 115-123, drawn to a method of treating a patient;

Group 8: Claims 125-134, drawn to a device to compress the stomach;

Group 9: Claims 136-144, drawn to a method of fastening a device;

Group 10: Claim 145, drawn to a method of treating a patient; and

Group 11: Claims 146-151, drawn to a method of placing a device.

The Examiner required election of one of the above-listed species Groups 1-11 to be responsive to the Office Action.